FUND TO EDUCATE YOUNG MOTHERS

Lawrence Analyzes First Legislation Sought by Women Since Enfranchisement As of Vital Importance.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE WASHINGTON, De

the American woman left in the home on election in the home" on election day piece of legislation that will do for the home perhaps than any law in American history. Early haw in American history. Early week consress will consider the legislative proposal made by the frage was granted. Not an thing of arking for a relatively in significant appropriation—only \$4, 000,000—but they have pointed on how that \$4,000,000 can be of a much, or more, benefit to the Amer ican nation as any other \$4,000,000 is the whole federal budget of \$4,000,

Briefly, the women ask that the federal government, in co-operation with the states of the union, shall educate young mothers in the maternity period so that they will not only have the proper knowledge of hygiene before and after the barth of their children, but in needy cases nurses and physicians shall be ready to come to their aid instantic. Not only have some pitiful cases of neglect in country districts especially come to the attention of the women who have investigated these questions, but statistics show that America lost 250,000 infants last year, or a total of 20,000 a month, most of whom might have been saved by proper at-Briefly, the women ask that might have been saved by proper at-tention. Indeed, in 1918, 23,000 moth-ers died from causes that could have been prevented. Fully 80 per cent of the cases investigated in different cases show that lack of care was U. S. Fourteenth in Line.

America has been far behind in this kind of social legislation. The United States stands fourteenth in the list of civilized countries which have taken up the problem. New Zealand, which has had woman suf-frage longer than any other country, stands at the top of the list and has greatly reduced her infant mortality. Great Britain also has been in the front rank in this movement The Sheppard-Towner bil

pared by Senator Sheppard of Texas, a Democrat, and Representative Towner of Iowa, a Republican, would appropriate \$2,000,000 at first, but with provision to increase it annually till it reaches \$4,000,000 and the states of the union would be asked to ap-propriate dollar for dollar in the same way that the federal government and the states have co-operated in building roads. It is not compulsory—a state may decline to co-operate, but probably not many of them will re-

health has reported the bill favorably and Senator Kenyon, who has charge of the agricultural bill being discussed in the senate, has promised to give way for consideration of the Towner-Sheppard measure that it will get prompt attention. The women insist that unless they get action this action this session, preferably next week, there will not be another opportunity to get the matter before various state legislatures until 1923, as some of them meet only once every two years, and usually during January and February, so that postponement of this subject until the extra session of congress in the suring would be hurtful to the cause. The women be hurtful to the cause. The women leaders declare that 250,000 deaths is too much to allow delay—it is three times the number of casualties on the American battlefront during the war. And therefore the leaders in the movement are not disposed to brook indefinite delay.

Women Poll Congressmen.

When women were enfranchised and the activities of the suffrage leaders were recognized as having come to an end, everybody wondered come to an end, everybody wondered in what direction the energies of the leaders would go. Eleven national women's organizations have gotten together and with a joint legislative committee here they have quietly polled members of the senate and house and explained the details of the measure. Some house and explained the details of the measure. Some congressmen were distant at first, thinking the attention of public nurses might be forced upon people, but it was ex-plained that there were thousands of poor people who would be giad to get any sort of attention and that in no case was it compulsory that aid be accepted. Indeed, the Catholic welfare societies and the welfare or-ganizations of other churches have gotten behind the bill and the poils of congress show that it will pass by of congress show that it will pass an everwhelming vote. It is int esting to observe that doesn't create any new federal reaus or big sainty list. The und istration of the whole thing was co-operation with civic associations. But the whole thing will be associations, teally co-ordinated so that the chil-dren of America may be safeguarded and the race of American men and women correspondingly strengthened Ten million voters are affiliated with the 11 organizations which are spensoring the bill. Instead of dyviding along party lines, the women of America have organized in a non-partisan way to do something for the home which has long been neglected by the male voters. (Copyright, 1920, by David Law-rence)

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Youngstown Home YOU'NGSTOWN, O., Dec. 2.—Mrs. A. Hughes, of 1710 Poland avenue, yas almost instantly killed and her ons, Cylde, 15, and Alvin, 16, were unity injured when an automo-slipped its brakes at the head; of in avenue, and crashed into the Hughes home, where the family was

ated at dinner. Almost every article of furniture n the room was demolished. Mrs. fughes and Alvin were pinned fainst the wall on the east side of he room, Mrs. Hughes sustaining a coken neck and an abdominal rupure which caused her death. Mr. Hughes escaped injury. There was no one in the automobile when it went on its mad plunge down the

SEARCH FOR LIQUOR; ONE DEAD, ONE DYING

BRISTOL, Va., Tenn., Dec. 13. probably fatally wounded, and Walden, of Appalachia, Va., lightly injured Sunday in a pistol attle near Appalachia, when the of-cers stopped an automobile in thich Walden, two men named Snodgrass, and a woman were rid-ng. Reports received in Bristol stated that the officers stopped the car to search for liquor and that during an argument Littrell drew his pistol and fired. The occupants of the car returned the fire. Details received here were meager and it was not stated whether any arrests had been made.

Store Dwners Unite To Protect Selves

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 13.-Merhants of Indianapolis have announce ed organization of the Stores' Mutual Protective association, to check operations of shoplifters, fraudulent check workers and other criminals who ply their trade in stores. It is organized along the line of similar associations in New York and Boston. Indianapolis is said to be the fourth city in the country to take a step, the other being New

PACKERS ASK TIME.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 .- The answer Washington, Dec. 11.—The answer of the "big five" packers to the government's petition in the District of Coumbia supreme court for the appointment of trustees to take over and sell he packers' stockyard property probibly will be postponed until after the 'hristmas holidays, it was said today at the dopartment of justice. Counsel for he companies want more time in which o prepare their replies, it was said.

ONE HURT IN FIRE.

CLARKSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 18.—Fire oday destroyed a number of buildings today destroyed a number of buildings on the east side of the public square here, causing a loss of approximately \$50,000. One person was slightly in-jured. The blaze originated in a cafe.

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Joseph E. Hatton, fourth member of the "dandles," Saturday was found guilty by a jury in First criminal court, of highway robbery, and sentenced to from five to fifteen years. Arguments were closed late in the afternoon. The jury was out not quite an hour.

Hatton, according to the jury's finding, participated with members of the dandy bandit trio is the hold-up of L. A. Hunton, traveling salesman, late in October. peal was given by Judge D. B. Pur-year, attorney for Hatton, Hatton had maintained a stoleal mien until he heard Mike Cohen. court clerk, read the jury's verdict. When the report was concluded he

blanched and was very nervous when ordered to stand up by Judge Rich-ards. His mother and four sistems seated beside him, at first did not seem to understand. Then wen they realized that 12 men had agreed that he must spend some years in the state penftentiary, gasps were followed quickly by sobs. They all kissed Hatton, and then filed from the courtroom after watching a deputy take charge of the youth and lead him away to the cell downstairs where he awaited transfer to the county jail.

Rossini Oratorio Is Well Rendered By Calvary Choir

The solo parts were well taken oncerts, the Goodwyn institute again concerts, the Goodwyn institute again was filled to capacit, Sunday afternoon to hear the excellent chorus choir of Calvary Episcopal church render Rossini's beautiful and impressive oratorio "Stabat Mater." This organization is worthy the city and showed that it takes its work and showed that it discs its was seriously. Under the direction of Aldolph Steuterman, who is a young man of genuine musicianship, the choir has been doing some fine work, but in this effort appears to have reached its loftiest achieve-ment. There are large demands on the choir, as well as the accompanist in this oratorio, but all were amply met in its rendition. The results of some real hard work were shown, and they were keenly appreciated by the large audience, which by the rapt attention throughout the program

showed that it was enjoying it.

The solo parts were well taken care of and the organization as a whole gave an excellent account of itself. Mrs. W. F. Murrah's beautiful soprano has rarely been heard to more advantage and she was especially effective in the air "Inflamma-tus et Ascensus." with the choral background. Mrs. Elizabeth Ramsey, who sang the contralto parts, possesses a voice of beauty and possesses a voice of beauty and richness that proved delightful and truly sympathetic and afforded much pleasure. The male solo parts were well sung by Messrs. Kinnie and Soderstrom, baritones, and Saner and Tenn. Saturday filed a petition in Ray, tenors. Perhaps no feature of bankruptcy with the clerk of the United Stats district court here, naming deets of \$3,900 and assets of section did not show so well in the female.

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This wonderful woman has been here on two occasions previously, having been the artist offering of the Beethoven club both times, be even that hardly prepared lovers plane music for the delightful pregram which she rendered Saturday the first of the afternoon series of the Memphis musical bureau, unde management of Mrs. Jason Wal-Madame Mero came as a substitute for Mischa Levitzki, who was unable to appear because of an injured hand. Perhaps it would have een a delight to have heard the oung man, but the imagination

falls when trying to picture him ex-celling this remarkable woman. She has certainly made progress since first appearing here, although then she was a great artist. Time is ripening her art, which is indicative of its true greatness, and it is small wonder that whenever she plays she is the subject of the highest praise and the most fulsome encomiur. The notable thing about her previous programs was that they include numbers making large demands of a marvelous technique, and the

feature of her playing, perhaps, was that she possesses a powerfulness of attack which veritably tested the strength of the instrument. This time the most pleasing thing was that she showed that not only could she display the dynamic force of a lion, but also could touch the key-board with the delicacy and sweetness of an angelic zephyr.

Her program was a charming on and its variety was most appealing. It was worthy of the artist and noth-ing was more striking therein than

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